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1. On 18 July, two trains from the direction of Artern passed through the Rossleben (M 52/D 50) railroad station.

2. Between 11 and 15 July, the Lossa-Crossenroda-Langenroda training area was cordoned off by sentries who wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank insignia and signs were put up.

Eighteen officers with artillery insignia and two radio operators left the target range 2,000 meters south of Wiehe and walked toward a tent camp west of the Lossa-Wiehe road. Forty trucks, 4 x 122-mm field howitzers and 2 x 37-mm AA guns were parked along the southern border of the camp. Wooden buildings and a tent camp with a motor vehicle repair shop and a fuel dump were determined about 500 meters south of the target area south of Wiehe. Four 100-mm AT guns were in two other camps along the Lossa-Wiehe road. Numerous imprints of track-laying vehicles were noticed in the Hauerode-Beichlingen area.

A detail of eight soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets unloaded 3-meter long timber from 1 railroad car at the Lossa railroad station on 11 July. Military personnel that arrived at the Lossa railroad station from the direction of Naumburg on 15 July included: 1 colonel, 1 lieutenant colonel and 20 other officers, all wearing artillery insignia; and 60 E1 wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery, tank and signal insignia. Officers leaving Lossa by train included 1 officer with tank insignia, and 3 officers with artillery insignia. One of the officers, with artillery insignia, left the train in Naumburg and, accompanied by 4 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets carrying the luggage, walked to the barracks installation. (3)

3. between 11 and 15 July, no troops were in Forst Siegelroda, north of the Lossa troop training area. However, according to rumors troops were

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expected to arrive for practices any day. (u)

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(3) The officers are believed to belong to the Hq XXIX Ods Mtz Rifle Corps in
Naumburg.

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